1		3	4	5	6	7	8
18.	Orissa . . .	27	11	..	16	1	..
19.	Tripura . . .	7	..	7	7	1	..
20.	Sikkim . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..
21.	Delhi . . .	92	49	3	40	..	1
22.	Chandigarh . .	2	2	..	..	..	..
23.	Pondicherry . .	2	2	..	..	..	..
24.	Himachal Pradesh .	9	9	..	..	..	..
25.	Meghalaya . .	1	..	..	1	..	..
	TOTAL :	1546	616	29	901	9	4

NOTE :— 1. There is no newspaper establishment in the following union territories (a) Andaman & Nicobar, (2) Dadar & Nagar Haveli, (3) Lakshadweep & (4) Daman & Diu.

2. Information is nil in respect of Nagaland and Mizoram and J & K.

Differences in wage rates

6824. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state that the wage rate differential for male and female workers in both urban and rural sectors, State-wise between 1981 and 1991?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

जल और विद्युत क्षेत्रों के लिए प्रावधान

6825. **श्री रामजी लाल :** क्या योजना और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार ने मौजूदा परिस्थितियों को देखते हुए वर्ष 1995-96 में पानी व विद्युत क्षेत्र के लिए ज्यादा निधियों का प्रावधान किया है ;

(ख) यदि नहीं, तो क्या सरकार इन क्षेत्रों को विकसित करने के लिए और देश में बिजली की बढ़ती हुई मांग को पूरा करने के लिए राष्ट्रीय विकास परिषद की बैठक बुलाएगी ; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो ऐसी बैठक कब तक बुलाई जाएगी ?

योजना और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री गिरिधर गमांग) : (क) जी, हां। विद्युत, सिंचाई और बाढ़ नियंत्रण क्षेत्रों हेतु वर्ष 1995-96 के केन्द्रीय योजना परिव्यय में वर्ष 1994-95 के संशोधित अनुमानों से 17 प्रतिशत से भी अधिक वृद्धि हुई है।

(ख) और (ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठते।

Proposals for Development Schemes by Madhya Pradesh

6826. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Madhya Pradesh have sent some development schemes to the Planning Commission for clearance;

(b) if so, the names and location thereof; and

(c) the action taken on each of these schemes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) to (c) The Planning Commission within the framework of the Five Year Plans finalise Annual Plan and sectoral outlays primarily on the priority decided by the State Government. No scheme in respect of Government of Madhya Pradesh is pending with Planning Commission for investment clearance.

Assessment Regarding Implementation of Projects under Eighth Five Year Plan

6827. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any assessment of the implementation of projects under the Eighth Five Year Plan;

(b) whether it is a fact that many projects of Eighth Plan are being implemented tardily; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken to ensure that plan proposal and projects are implemented according to schedule?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI GIRIDHAR GAMANG): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) On the basis of the data base for the rojects costing Rs. 20 crores and above monitored by the Department of Programme Implementation, 140 projects were completed between 4|92 ot 12|94. As on 1.1.95 out of 356 projects presently on the system of the Department of Programme Implementation, 235 projects were originally scheduled for completion during the 8th Five Year Plan i.e. between 4|92 and 3|97. Of these 22 projects have already slipped beyond the 8th Plan. Of the remaining 211 projects, 119 projects have registered delays during the course of their implementation with respect to the originally scheduled date of completion. They are expected to be completed in the 8th Plan period. In all 260 projects are now scheduled to be completed in the 8th Plan.

(c) The steps taken by the Government to expedite the implementation of projects include:

(i) The State Governments are regularly requested to extend necessary co-operation by making land available on time for project work and compansatory afforestation.

(ii) The contractors and suppliers are being asked to expedite the progress of works. Constant review and follow up is being made to arrest unavoidable delays.

(iii) The delay in supply of equipments from abroad are being tackled through diplomatic channels.

(iv) All project authorities have been asked to adopt latest project management techniques for monitoring the implementation of projects.

Besides these many improvements have been brought to tackle the weaknesses and avoid delays such as appointment of Empowered Committees for quick disoosal of disputes in the contracts or disputes of award of contracts, releaee of funds on the basis of physical progress made, continuance of project management team for the entire gestation period, etc.

Infant Mortality Rate

6828. SHRI MD. SALIM:
SHRI NILOTPAL BASU:

Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) the infant mortality rate, daily